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### **PSC GENERAL COUNSEL TO GO TO CIRCUIT COURT TO SEEK PENALTIES AGAINST FULTON DEALER**

JEFFERSON CITY—The Missouri Public Service Commission has directed the Commission's General Counsel to go to circuit court to seek penalties against Blakely Manufactured Homes of Fulton, Missouri for violating Commission rules by failing to properly set and install a modular unit that was partially blown off its foundation during a storm on March 13, 2006. The modular home is owned by Larry and Joyce King of Fulton.

On April 7, 2006, the Manager of the Manufactured Housing and Modular Units Program of the Public Service Commission filed a complaint against Blakely Manufactured Homes alleging the dealer violated Commission rules by:

- ✓ Failing to properly attach the home onto the basement foundation;
- ✓ Failing to properly support the centerline of the home with the necessary number of jack posts;
- ✓ Failing to properly attach the supporting jack posts to the home's center beam and to the concrete footing;
- ✓ Failing to properly fasten the home's hinged roof to the kingpost stubs;
- ✓ Failing to properly fasten in place the drop-in roof ridge sections of the home;
- ✓ Failing to properly fasten together the end walls of both home sections;
- ✓ Failing to properly construct the home stairway to the basement;
- ✓ Failing to install guards on the sides of the home's basement stairway; and
- ✓ Failing to install a handrail on the home's basement stairway.

The Commission conducted hearings in the complaint case on November 1, 2006.